



**NURSE PRACTITIONER**  
**MONTHLY SALARY: \$8,632.00 - \$9,474.00**

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO ALL REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR, CREED, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, SEX, MARITAL STATUS, DISABILITY, RELIGIOUS OR POLITICAL AFFILIATION, AGE OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION. IT IS AN OBJECTIVE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO ACHIEVE A DRUG-FREE STATE WORKPLACE. ANY APPLICANT FOR STATE EMPLOYMENT WILL BE EXPECTED TO BEHAVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS OBJECTIVE BECAUSE THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE, THE RULES GOVERNING CIVIL SERVICE AND THE SPECIAL TRUST PLACED IN PUBLIC SERVANTS.

**HOW TO APPLY:** Applicants may apply electronically by accessing the examination bulletin at [www.jobs.ca.gov](http://www.jobs.ca.gov). Applicants may also apply via the U.S. Postal Service or hand deliver the application to the Testing Department. Applications (STD. Form 678) may be downloaded from the State Personnel Board website at <http://www.jobs.ca.gov>. Submit applications only to address indicated below. **Do not submit to the State Personnel Board.** Facsimiles (FAX) or emailed applications will not be accepted under any circumstances.

**SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:** VETERANS HOME OF CA, YOUNTVILLE  
Human Resources – Testing Unit  
110 California Drive  
Yountville, California 94599-1414

**FINAL FILING: CONTINUOUS** – Testing is considered continuous as dates can be set at anytime and eligible lists are merged.

**EXAMINATION ELIGIBILITY LIMITATION:** The testing period for this classification is 12 months. You may not test for this classification more than once in a testing period. If you have taken an examination for this classification at the Veterans Home of California, Yountville within the last 12 months, you are not eligible to compete in this examination.

**SPECIAL TESTING:** If you have a disability and need special testing arrangements, mark the appropriate box in part 2 of the Application for Examination. You will be contacted to make specific arrangements.

**NOTE:** Accepted competitors are required to bring either a photo identification card or two forms of signed identification.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO THE EXAMINATION:**

**NOTE:** All competitors must meet the education and/or experience requirements for this examination. Your signature on your application indicates that you have read, understood, and possess the basic qualifications required.

**NOTE:** All applications/resumes must include: "to" and "from" dates (month/day/year); time base; and civil service class titles. Applications/resumes received without this information will be rejected.

Qualifying experience may be combined on a proportionate basis if the requirements stated below include more than one pattern and are distinguished as "Either" I, "or" II, "or" III, etc. For example, competitors possessing qualifying experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern I, and additional experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern II, may be admitted to an examination as meeting 100% of the overall experience requirement.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** Possession of a valid license to practice as a professional registered nurse in the State of California.  
**And**

Completion of the requirements for Nurse Practitioner as specified in the regulations of the Board of Registered Nurses, California Administrative Code, Title 16, Chapter 14, Article 8, Section 1482.

**SPECIAL PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:** Must possess aptitude for and willingness to work with clients in a State geriatric facility; emotional stability; sensitivity to the needs of clients; patience; tact; alertness; and keenness of observation.

**THE POSITION:** Under direction, to plan, provide, and evaluate generalized health care services in a community health setting or health treatment facility; to provide direct and indirect patient care services; and to do other work as required.

**EXAMINATION INFORMATION:** This examination will consist of a Qualifications Appraisal Interview only, weighted 100%. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum rating of 70.00% must be attained in the interview.

If conditions warrant, this examination may utilize an evaluation of each candidate's experience and education compared to a standard developed from the class specification. For this reason, it is especially important that each candidate take special care in accurately and completely filling out his/her application. List all experience relevant to the "Requirements for Admittance to the Examination" shown on this announcement, even if that experience goes beyond the seven-year limit printed on the applications. Supplementary information will be accepted but read the "Requirements for Admittance to the Examination" carefully to see what kind of information will be useful to the staff doing the evaluation.

**DRUG TESTING REQUIREMENT:** Applicants for positions in this class are required to pass a drug-screening test. Testing of current employees who are applicants in an examination or who are transferring is permitted only if the person does not have a current appointment to a class for which drug testing is a requirement.

**SCOPE:** In addition to evaluating the competitors' relative abilities as demonstrated by quality and breadth of experience, emphasis in the examination interview will be on measuring competitively, relative to job demands, each competitor's:

- A. Knowledge of:**
1. Current trends and concepts of professional nursing practices.
  2. Laws and regulations relating to the practice of medicine and nursing science basic to medicine (anatomy, pathophysiology, pharmacology, and microbiology).
  3. Principles and practices of clinical assessment.
  4. Principles and practices of common health problems.
  5. Fundamentals of research.
  6. Principles of mental health.
  7. Causes, treatment and prevention of communicable diseases, chronic diseases, handicapping conditions, mental illness and other disabling conditions.
  8. Principles of clinical consultation, continuity of patient care, and the community aspects of health services.

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Ability to:

- 1. Work effectively with individuals and families to assist them in solving physical, mental and social health problems.
- 2. Work effectively as a member of a health team.
- 3. Speak and write effectively including the preparation of clear and concise reports.
- 4. Recognize social problems which affect health.
- 5. Instruct in the prevention of disease, good health practices, and the health care of an ill or injured person.
- 6. Participate in the development of standardized procedures, and in accordance with established protocol, construct and interpret a medical history, perform a physical assessment, evaluate patient behavior, perform and interpret selected laboratory tests, and identify problems and develop and implement treatment plans for patients.
- 7. Maintain effective working relationships with other departments and agencies and the community; consult effectively with physicians and allied health personnel.

**ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION:** The resulting eligible list will be abolished 12 months after it is established unless the needs of the service and conditions of the list warrant a change in this period. The resulting eligible list will be used to fill vacancies in Yountville, California only.

Veterans Preference will not be granted in this examination.

General Information

It is the candidate's responsibility to contact the Human Resources in Yountville, California, (707) 944-4550, three days prior to the written test date if he/she has not received his/her notice. For an examination without a written feature, it is the candidate's responsibility to contact the Human Resources in Yountville, California, (707) 944-4550, three weeks after the final filing date if he/she has not received a progress notice.

If a candidate's notice of oral interview or performance test fails to reach him/her prior to the day of the interview due to a verified postal error, he/she will be rescheduled upon written request.

Applications are available at State Personnel Board offices and local offices of the Employment Development Department, and the Department noted on front.

If you meet the requirements stated on the reverse, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirement does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described on the other side of this bulletin will be compared with the performance of the others who take this test, and all candidates who pass will be ranked according to their scores.

The State Personnel Board reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules and all competitors will be notified.

**Eligible Lists:** Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) subdivisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multidepartmental promotional, 4) servicewide promotional, 5) departmental open, 6) open. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible lists will expire in from one to four years unless otherwise stated on this bulletin.

**General Qualifications:** Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, and ability to work cooperatively with others; and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination may be required. In open examinations, investigations may be made of employment records and personal history and fingerprinting may be required.

**Interview Scope:** If an interview is conducted, in addition to the scope described on the other side of this bulletin, the panel will consider education, experience, personal development, personal traits, and fitness. In appraising experience, more weight will be given to the breadth and recency of pertinent experience and evidence of the candidate's ability to accept and fulfill increasing responsibilities than to the length of his/her plans for self-development; and the progress he/she has made in his/her efforts toward self-development.

**High School Equivalence:** Equivalence to completion of the 12th grade may be demonstrated in any one of the following ways: 1) passing the General Educational Development (GED) Test; 2) completion of 12 semester units of college-level work; 3) certification from the State Department of Education, a local school board, or high school authorities that the candidate is considered to have education equivalent to graduation from high school; or 4) for clerical and accounting classes, substitution of business college work in place of high school on a year-for-year basis. O (Rev.8/90)

**Veterans' Preference Points:** California Law (Government Code 18971-18978) allows the granting of Veterans' Preference Points in Open entrance and Open, Non-Promotional entrance examinations. Veterans' Preference Points will be added to the final score of all competitors who are successful in these types of examinations, and who qualify for and have requested these points by mail. **In Open entrance examinations, Veterans' Preference Points are granted as follows:** 10 points for veterans, widows, and widowers of veterans, and spouses of 100% disabled veterans; and 15 points for disabled veterans. **In Open, Non-Promotional entrance examinations, Veterans' Preference Points are granted as follows:** 10 points for veterans and 15 points for disabled veterans. Employees who have achieved permanent State civil service status are not eligible to receive Veterans' Preference Points. Permanent State civil service status means the status of an employee who is lawfully retained in his/her position after completion of the applicable probationary period. This includes permanent intermittent, part-time, and full-time appointments. In addition, individuals who at any time achieved permanent State civil service status and subsequently resigned or were dismissed from State civil service are not eligible to receive Veterans' Preference Points. Veteran status is verified by the State Personnel Board (SPB). Directions to apply for Veterans' Preference Points are on the Veterans' Preference Application (STD. Form 1093) which is available at [www.spb.ca.gov](http://www.spb.ca.gov) or from the State Personnel Board, 801Capitol Mall, Sacramento, CA 95814 and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

**Career Credits:** In open, non promotional examinations, career credits are granted to: 1)State employees with permanent civil service status, 2) full-time employees of the state who are exempt from State civil service pursuant to the provisions of Section 4 of Article VII of the California Constitution, and who meet all qualification requirement specified by the Board and have 12 consecutive months of service in an exempt position, and 3) individuals who have served one full year in, or are graduates of, the California Conservation Corps (eligibility shall expire 24 moths after graduation from the California Conservation Corps). Three points are added to the final test score of those candidates who meet the above criteria, and who are successful in the examination. Such examinations cannot be for managerial positions described in Government Code Section 3513. Competitors not currently employed in state civil service who have mandatory reinstatement rights may also be eligible for career credits, buy they must explain their service status in the appropriate section of the application Form 100-678. (Section 4 of Article VII of the California Constitution is posted at the State Personnel Board, 801 Capitol Mall and Sacramento).

**Felony Disqualification:** You are disqualified from being employed as a peace officer if: (1) You have been convicted of a felony in California or any other state; (2) you have been convicted of any offense in any other state which would have been a felony if committed in California; (3) you have been charged with a felony and adjudged by a superior court to be mentally incompetent; (4) you have been adjudged addicted or in danger of becoming addicted to narcotics, convicted, and committed to a State institution. If you have been convicted of a felony, you may be allowed to participate in this examination if your conviction(s): (1) has/have been sealed under Penal Code Section 851.7, 851.8, 1203.45, or Health and Safety Code Section 11361.5; (2) has/have been expunged or is/are expugnable pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 11361.5 regarding marijuana offenses; (3) was/were stipulated or designated to be a lesser included offense of marijuana possession under Health and Safety Code Section 11557 or 11366.

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